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## Jemison honored in Newark

Mayor Sharpe James presents a City of Newark medallion and proclamation to Dr. Mae Jemison, the first African-American female Astronaut, during a ceremony at the Newark Public Library. The event, co-sponsored by the library and the Boys' and Girls' Clubs of Newark, served to inspire a group of Newark students to pursue their dreams. — Photo by William Remos

## Activists rally to save Jersey City YMCA in honor of King's struggle

by Stephen D. Coleman

JERSEY CITY—Many residents of Jersey City's predominantly African-American Ward H honored Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Monday, January 18 by carrying out his struggle for human rights in the form of a rally to save the Jersey City YMCA.

The Jersey City Save the YMCA Committee—formed last November in the wake of revelations that the YMCA was slated to close due to an outstanding debt of \$400,000 to the City for water and sewage bills—held the third in a series of public meetings designed to keep the facility open and operating at maximum efficiency.

Presently, at least two youth programs in the facility have been eliminated and the future of other programs is in question. Last month, the YMCA filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy.

A group of residents and employees of the facility, some who have been associated with the YMCA for nearly a decade, told CITY NEWS that they believe the YMCA administration is insensitive to their concerns. They claim, for example, that management has deliberately failed to seek funding and has allowed the facility to deteriorate as an excuse for closing it.

YMCA Board President John Nevins said, "There were one or two possibilities (for funding) that I do believe we missed the boat on."

In the wake of the Committee's dogged efforts, the City has agreed, verbally, to forgive the debt and donate \$20,000 monthly assistance to the Y for up to 10 months, to counter the anticipated shortfall of \$20,000.

Another City proposal to keep the Y solvent is moving the West District police precinct to the YMCA.

## Fitzgerald sworn in as NJ's 23rd Commissioner of Education

NEW MILFORD—Dr. Mary Lee Fitzgerald, a career educator who has served as superintendent of the Montclair School District the past 11 years, became New Jersey's 23rd Commissioner of Education on January 4. She is the first woman to hold the position.

After accepting the oath of office from Governor Jim Florio at the Owens Middle School, Dr. Fitzgerald emphasized her commitment to managing public tax dollars to maximize resources for children in schools, to challenging students to work harder and meet higher standards and to urging greater collaborations among businesses, non-profit and governmental agencies to more comprehensively support the needs of New Jersey's children and families.

Governor Florio nominated Fitzgerald for the position on December 7, a ceremony in Montclair's Hillsdale Elementary School. The State Senate unanimously confirmed her ap-



Dr. Mary Lee Fitzgerald  
appointment as education commissioner on December 7, Fitzgerald was selected by the governor to succeed Dr. John Ellis, who resigned last month.

The new commissioner has

served as superintendent of the Montclair schools since 1982. A 5,800-student, kindergarten through 12th grade school, Montclair has a minority population of 49 percent and a budget of \$32 million.

Fitzgerald has worked as an assistant superintendent of schools in Norwalk, Conn., and Phoenix, Ariz., and as a teacher and principal in the East Windsor Regional Public Schools in Central New Jersey. She has also been a teacher in Topeka, Kansas, and Eagle, Colorado, and has served as associate director of the Westminster Foundation of the Presbyterian Church at the University of Colorado.

A graduate of the University of Arizona, Fitzgerald earned a master's degree in educational administration from Colorado and a doctoral degree from Rutgers University. She also has studied at the University of Southern California, the Princeton Theological Seminary and Stanford University.

## Soaries keynotes King celebration, Payne and Bradley honored

by Nicol Diarra Davis

"We gather, paradoxically, to celebrate the national holiday put into law by a president who cared less for us than any other president in the history of America," said Rev. DeForest "Buster" Soaries during a celebration hosted by the City of Newark in honor of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Rev. Soaries was the keynote speaker for the program—held on January 15 at the Newark Arts Center—during which Congressman Donald Payne and Senator Bill Bradley were honored for their never-ending dedication to the people of New Jersey. Councilman-at-large Donald Tucker was the moderator for the evening's events.

Rev. Soaries spoke eloquently about how he came to understand what Dr. King stood for and the affect that he had on the life of black people.

"My grandmother was not an educated person. She scrubbed floors for a living; her mother was an alcoholic; she raised eight children by herself. Through all of her pain, I had never seen my grandmother cry," he said.

But on April 4, 1968, a young Soaries walked into his grand-

mother's dining room to find her sitting at the table with tears in her eyes. "They shot Dr. King today," his grandmother said.

Soaries went on to explain that he had not been too interested in Dr. King before that moment, but when he realized how Dr. King had touched his grandmother, he had to find out why.

Soaries then discussed another childhood experience in which he confronted his grandmother about her reason for packing a shoe box—filled with boiled eggs and a

piece of chicken between two pieces of bread—each time she traveled from her home in Montclair to Virginia.

"The reason she packed the shoe box was because it took six hours to drive from New Jersey to Virginia and colored folk couldn't stop to eat in the restaurants," he said.

That explanation, coupled with the tears in his grandmother's eyes on the day Dr. King was shot, helped Soaries to understand the importance of the civil rights leader in his (continued on page 2)



## Florio stops stalkers in their tracks

TRENTON—Taking aim at "psychological terrorists" who use fear as a weapon, Governor Jim Florio signed a law that makes stalking a crime in New Jersey. The Governor called the measure a "bold step" in strengthening victims' rights.

"Our highest goal must be to stop the criminal, to prevent the crime before there is a victim. The anti-stalking bill is a bold step toward that goal," said Governor Florio. "This bill sends a powerful message to stalkers: you can't twist the law in New Jersey. New Jersey is on the side of the victim. Now, when victims are threatened or harassed—either verbally or by a series of physical acts—either verbally or by a series of physical acts—the police have the power to stop stalkers in their tracks."

The law is aimed at closing loopholes that leave a gap between laws dealing with harassment and those covering actual physical attack, threat or sexual assault. Because the conduct described as stalking usually does not involve physical contact or explicit threat, gaps in the criminal code allow stalkers to terrorize their victims and yet avoid prosecution for a felony.

Under the new law, a person who has committed the crime of stalking if the person repeatedly follows another person and either threatens that other person or

performs a series of connected acts that alarm that person and serve no legitimate purpose. The threat need not be explicit and there is no requirement for any physical contact with the victim. The New Jersey law follows a California law which was prompted by the murders of actress Rebecca Schaeffer and five other women who had been stalked.

Stalking convictions for most first offenders carry a prison term of up to 18 months and/or a \$7,500 fine. A second offense or violation of a court order can lead to 3 to 5 years imprisonment and a \$7,500 fine. By contrast, lawbreakers 6 and older can face a discretionary persons offense, with a maximum imprisonment of 30 days and a \$500 fine and does not lead to a criminal record.

Most stalking victims are women, and this vicious crime is part of a destructive pattern that robs women of their dignity and the power to control their own lives. Stalking has spread across this country because dangerously obsessive individuals have discovered that they can use the law to their advantage.

"Government can and must constantly balance the scales of justice, so that we always favor the innocent, we always protect the weak and we never give the criminal advantage," Governor Florio said.

## A great year for the Newark Preschool Council Inc.



Picture (l-r) at the West Ward center's ribbon cutting ceremony are Rosa Reyes, parent; Charlotte Brookins, parent; Synthia James, board member; Annette O'Flaherty, board member; Bridget Johnson, parent; Venetia Merrivether, board president; Emma Works, family assistant; Calvin West, aide to the mayor; Jolly Ann Waters, parent coordinator; Henrietta Young-Griffin, policy council chairperson; Ernest Thompson, principal of Burnet Street School; Jacqueline Uzzell, area program coordinator; Victoria Fasakin, nutrition manager.

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## Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27

**SUMMIT**—To help people differentiate between normal apprehension and an anxiety disorder, Fair Oaks Hospital is offering free screening and anxiety foaming Fair at the Grand Summit Hotel. To register for the lecture call Fair Oaks Hospital Outreach Services Department at 908-277-9016.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28

**SCOTCH PLAINS**—The Mothers' Center of Central New Jersey will sponsor "Highways to Better Communication," a workshop that teaches specific communication skills by focusing on actual situations and dialogues. The workshop will be held at the Scotch Plains Public Library, 1926 Battle Avenue, at 8 p.m. Admission is free. For more info call 908-561-1751.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30

**NEWARK**—The Newark School of the Dance's Spring Ballet will hold Spring Scholarship Recitals for boys and girls age 7 to 12. Children selected will enter a three week introductory program offering free instruction in ballet in preparation for the spring recitals. At the time of the recitals, contact the school, 45 Academy Street, 201-623-1033.

**SUMMIT**—"Caring for Kids (Ages 7-10)" will be offered from 2-3 p.m. at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts, 68 Elm Street. In this workshop, students will learn about the lives of animals and create puppets. For more info call 908-923-9121.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31

**PLAINFIELD**—Cancer Strategies will host a free seminar entitled "How to Develop a Supportive Resource" at First United Methodist Church, 631 Front Street, at 4 p.m. Cost for materials is \$5.

TUESDAYS, FEB. 2 THRU MAY 25

**SCOTCH PLAINS**—Individuals with disabilities may enjoy open swim with the Union County Division of Parks and Recreation every Tuesday from 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. at the Scotch Plains-Fanwood YMCA, 120 Morris Avenue. Cost of charge. Persons requiring assistance in either the water or the locker room should bring a chaperone. For more info call 908-561-4800.

WEDNESDAYS, FEBRUARY 3

**JERSEY CITY**—"Traditional and modern medicine: What it is and the effects on your health" will be held at the Jersey City Free Public Library, 489 Bergen Avenue, as part of the Community Awareness Series. For more info call 201-547-6907.

# Summit church gift to benefit black colleges

NEWARK — Fountain Baptist Church in Summit pledged \$25,000 to the United Negro College Fund as part of a 10-year commitment to the fund. This pledge is the largest given by a church in the fund's history.

"It is our hope that Fountain Baptist Church's gift will serve as a witness for other church communities to follow," said Rev. Jerry M. Sanders, pastor of the church.

The church's first installment is going to Tougaloo College in Mississippi. In addition, the donation will be matched by a \$10,000 gift from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and a \$30,000 gift from the Stewart Mott Foundation.

Sanders notes that the church continues to seek to minister "to the poor, the brokenhearted and the captive, serving as a beacon of hope and an agent of change." The gift to the fund is only one of many outreach programs of the church. Parishioners are also involved in feeding the homeless, holding weekly senior citizens' programs

and ministering to prisoners.

The church is currently establishing a sister church relationship with a church in Haiti and will begin this ministry with a gift of \$20,000 to the Haitian Baptist Convention through American Baptist Churches International Ministries.

Most of the UNCF schools were founded by churches after the Civil War to provide education to the newly freed slaves. According to William Gray, president and chief executive officer of the fund, UNCF colleges have experienced a 25 percent increase in enrollment since 1986 and currently enroll 53,000 students.

"Education is the means to empowerment, and change starts with educating these children... who want the individual attention, nurturing atmosphere, and quality education that black colleges uniquely provide," Gray said. "If we do this, we will not only help empower a new generation of African-Americans, we will empower this nation."

## Improve Newark Program to award individuals for good deeds

NEWARK—Officials of the Improve Newark Program, a non-profit, community involvement project, announced they will launch "From the Heart" campaign in February, which awards individuals who have shown kindness to someone else.

"All too often we see people performing a service or being kind and considerate to individuals they may not know and nothing is said or done to let them know we are grateful," said Edwin McLucas, ex-

ecutive director of the Improve Newark Program. "We are saying to these people that their kindness has not gone unnoticed."

According to Wendy Sylver, creator and coordinator of the campaign, forms to nominate someone who has done a good deed for an award can be obtained from stores, churches and other public facilities throughout the City.

Each month the nominees will be evaluated by a panel of distinguished judges who will select one

winner and two runners-up.

The winners will receive a plaque and "From the Heart" pin. Also, the winner will be honored at the Star Ledger's " Newark this Week" section and to both Cablevision of Newark and Suburban Cablevision, to publish on their public access stations and community bulletin boards.

The two runners-up will receive an Honorable Mention certificate.

"People perform good deeds every day," said Mayor Sharpe James. "However, we rarely hear of these efforts. I applaud the Improve Newark Program's determination to reward and publicize these deeds 'From the Heart' by every day people."

## Bell and Campbell win national scholarships

NEWARK—Two Essex County students at the UMDNJ-New Jersey Dental School have been awarded \$1,000 scholarships by the National Dental Association Foundation (NDAF).

The students, Janice Bell of Irvington and Fitzroy G. Campbell of West Orange, were among 58 dental students nationally to win scholarships.

Ms. Bell is a fourth-year student, scheduled to graduate from the Newark-based dental school in May. Mr. Campbell is in his third year.

The NDAF, which represents 6,000 African-American dentists, awarded \$135,000 in 1992 to 114 dental students, dental hygiene students and dentists in postgraduate studies.

## Soaries keynotes King celebration

(continued from page 1) Soaries' life. "She believed that one day her grandson would be educated, travel all over the world and would never have to pack a school box," he explained.

Soaries told the crowd of judges, lawyers, politicians, educators, and business owners, "we need to help the children." He explained that the children of today have never met Dr. King and that it is the responsibility of parents and educators to teach them about the true meaning of King. "Is [this] what King did? Is about ceremonies and marches, songs and programs? I doubt it. If that's what it's about then let's not celebrate," he said.

"When we pause to celebrate the King holiday, we pause to ask ourselves a question that we don't ask ourselves on any other [holiday] during the year," Soaries noted. "We pause as a nation, blacks and whites, young and old, rich and poor, to ask ourselves, 'how are we doing in the area of justice?'

He challenged parents and educators and community leaders to become role models for children and to "take on the responsibilities that King possessed" and make those responsibilities their job descriptions.

"If we would save our children, then our living and our celebration [of the holiday] will not be in vain," Soaries concluded.

During the program, a resolution was presented to Donald Payne by Newark Municipal Council President Donald Bradley. Bradley said that Payne was being honored "for a job well done; for picking up that torch; for not talking that talk; but for walking that walk." Sen. Bradley, who was also honored, was unable to attend the evening's celebration.

Also unable to attend was Mayor Sharpe James, who was consulting the families of 19-year-old Rajah Bacon, who was shot and killed by a 17-year-old student outside of West Side High School, and 14-year-old Reginald Richardson, who was shot in the knee by the student, on the afternoon of the birthday of the non-violent civil rights leader.

# Coping

By Dr. Charles W. Faulkner

## Can you be trusted?

The advice in this column, and in the preceding columns can save your life. Read and use the (coping) strategies I am providing.

17. Deserve Trust. (Don't expect people to trust you if you lie repeatedly to them.)

The trust of another person is one of the most difficult things to acquire. It sometimes takes years for someone to feel that they can trust you, but you can lose that trust immediately by being caught in a lie. Then, you will never be trusted again. Many people put up a front for years. They make you believe that you can trust them. But, since you are intelligent, you will eventually catch them in a lie. And guess what? They can catch you in a lie, too.

18. See through the screen. (Don't go for the "okey dokey.")

Can you be trusted? Are you as honest as you say you are? Some people put up great facades. They pretend to be honest, intelligent, knowledgeable, Christian, perceptive and wonderful. But, the proof is in the padding! Actions speak louder than words. You can learn a lot about a person by keeping quiet and observing them. Don't say a thing about that person until you have facts to support it. Remember, they may be watching you, too.

19. Be honest about your faults. (Don't be afraid to seek help for your personal problems.)

Are you acutely insecure? Do you lack confidence in yourself? Are you now being counseled and treated for your problems? If you are, good. If you're not being treated, your problem will just get worse. You will lose your friends. You will be disliked. You will not be as successful as you could be. Your insecurity could turn into a difficult psychiatric problem. Everyone has some minor emotional problem that may be easily eliminated. The person who seeks counseling is wise. The person who doesn't is risking life-long unhappiness. Not only will they make their own lives unhappy, but they will destroy the happiness of everyone with whom they come into contact.

20. Know that you can overcome the most negative scenario. (Don't think that the worst thing that can happen will happen, and that it will destroy you.)

The only thing that you can't overcome is death. You have a fighting chance against everything else, no matter how bad it is. So, fight, don't flee!

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## Davis of Scotch Plains, newly inducted trooper

Mark J. Davis, 29, was one of nine blacks sworn in on Friday, January 22, as New Jersey troopers in the State Police Academy.

The 113th class was the first to be graduated since budget cuts postponed classes in 1989. The funding for this class came from forfeiture funds saved during criminal arrests.

"The means and profits of crime became the weapon to fight crime," remarked Attorney General Robert Del Tufo during the graduation ceremony at Trenton's War Memorial, on January 22. "74 whites, nine blacks, eight Hispanics and two Native Americans... were cut down from the 3,732 persons who took the original written exam in July 1988. The 113th is the oldest class to graduate, due to a 10-year four-year delay in their induction. Governor Jim Florio referred to the men (no women were graduated) as "The Fighting 113th" because of their fight to become a class.

The new troopers began their long-awaited assignments on Tuesday, January 19. According to State Police Lt. Justin Dinitto, the men will be accompanied by a trooper coach for two months before they will be allowed to patrol on their own. New Jersey State Troopers have



Trooper Mark J. Davis

the most intensive training program in the country, comprising 100 days of training before they are graduated.

Davis, a 1986 graduate of Seton Hall University, was one of five men in the class to receive awards for earning perfect scores on their final physical fitness tests. He lives in Scotch Plains with his wife, Zina, and three daughters, 7-year-old Tyasha, 5-year-old Mylissa, and 3-year-old Jaleesa.



Alexandra Modestini (right), age 4, of Newark, is one of many students in the Stepping Stones Program in Livingston (sponsored by the Association for Retarded Citizens) who received a Santa Bear for Christmas, distributed by Retired Senior Volunteer Program, RSVP of Essex County. Pictured with Alexandra and Santa is Mimi Papernick, RSVP Director. The bears were donated by Abraham & Straus Department Store.

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## National News at a glance

By Robert N. Taylor

The following is a weekly summary of top national news events affecting the African-American community compiled by the National Black News Survey (NBS):

■ Job discrimination claims neared record in 1992: The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission reported last week that job discrimination complaints reached their second highest point in history during 1992. Records show complaints have been kept since 1964. According to the EEOC, there were 70,309 complaints filed — just 410 short of the 1988 record. The most common complaints were job discrimination based on race which accounted for nearly 41 percent of all complaints — WASHINGTON, DC

■ No charges against Rodney King: Prosecutors in Los Angeles have decided against filing charges against black motorist Rodney King over the incident that led to his videotaped beating by four white police officers. King was beaten, charged with resisting and evading arrest, but the prosecutors issued a statement saying they decided not to "in the interest of justice." It was the virtual exoneration of the four officers who beat him that triggered rioting in Los Angeles. Now, King is still negotiating a financial settlement with the city. —LOS ANGELES, CA

■ Small jury pool for King beating trial: Only 230 prospective jurors in Los Angeles' 4,000-strong pool would be willing to be questioned for at least two months in the upcoming federal trial of the four white police officers accused in the videotaped beating of black motorist Rodney King. The trial is scheduled to begin on February 2. The difficulty in getting a jury adds to the controversy surrounding the case. Already, it has been learned that a secret copy of the government's case against the four white officers was leaked to the attorney for one of the officers. The federal government has brought civil rights charges against the officers. —LOS ANGELES, CA

■ Black set afire remains in serious condition: The black New York artist, who was robbed and set afire by three white men near Tampa, Florida recently, remained in serious condition last week with first and second degree burns covering 20 percent of his body. The three whites have been charged with robbery and attempted murder. One of the men was denied bond. The burning of 31-year-old Christopher Wilson of Brooklyn, N.Y. appears to have been racially motivated. —TAMPA, FL

■ Jackson takes baseball owners to task: Prompted by racist remarks from Cincinnati Reds owner Marge Schott, black political leader Jesse Jackson last week called upon the owners of major league baseball to adopt "affirmative action programs" to recruit for top management positions in the front offices of the sport. Jackson met with the owners and was informed that he was establishing a national commission to monitor minority issues in both the professional and college sports. The group Jackson recently formed is called the Rainbow Commission on Fairness in Athletics. He also threatened to organize boycotts of those teams which did not advance minorities as team lawyers, accountants and managers. As for colleges, Jackson said the Rainbow Commission would rate them according to graduation rates and minority hiring. —DALLAS, TX

■ Election fraud charged in Kenya: The east African nation of Kenya has held its first multi-party democratic elections in 26 years. But opposition candidates are accusing the ruling party of President Daniel Arap Moi of fraud. Moi won the presidential race even though the opposition groups gathered more than 60 percent of the total vote. Kenya has long been one of Africa's most stable and prosperous countries, but it has never been a democratic country. Observers fear the opposition to Moi could lead violence. In 1982, Moi overthrew his predecessor, Tom Mboya, in 1978. Despite his victory, several of his top political associates lost their lives. —NAIROBI, KENYA

■ Blacks urged to form 'Wealth' clubs: Even a problem facing black America — family deterioration to poor health, could be eliminated or significantly reduced if there were more financial security wealth in our communities. These are the views of James W. Naismith, founder of a new black self-help organization. The group — Wealth Clubs of America — is a non-profit organization which details how small groups of blacks can form wealth-building clubs. The clubs can raise money by sponsoring profitable events. Persons wanting more information about the group should write: B.L.C.A., P.O. Box 28422, Washington, D.C. The material is free, but include \$1 to cover postage. —WASHINGTON, DC

By Chester A. Higgins, Sr.

A team of NAACP investigators recently completed a two-week visit of U.S. Army bases and centers in Europe seeking to determine if, in fact, African-American military and civilian personnel are being treated fairly and equitably.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) decided to launch the investigation after the European Conference of NAACP branches, at the outset said: "The visit was prompted by the great number of cases we have become aware of that we thought warranted investigation. The military is not the only branch of any ethnic group. At the same time, the military is asking tough questions about the state of affirmative action programs and other things, and the effect the (post Cold War) drawdown is having on equal opportunity." The panel urged those with complaints to bring documentation to back their charges.

Johnson, who is also the director of the NAACP's Armed Services and Veteran Affairs department, said, "While the NAACP trusts that the key leadership of the United States military intends to root out all vestiges of discrimination in the Armed Services, it is clear that other service members have traditionally relied upon American Red Cross and the U.S.O." Increasing complaints over the past two or three years, he added, raised concerns at the national NAACP and Dr. Hooks sent the task force on specific instructions "to make a thorough and impartial study of this matter." Johnson said he will make

ing on to Nuremberg, Stuttgart, Ramstein and Frankfurt, Germany, and also visited several locations in Italy, including the Aviano military base at Vicenza. A confidential hearing was held in Heidelberg, but at each of the other locations public hearings were held.

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an interim report to Dr. Hooks upon the panel's return.

Noting that "we have received excellent cooperation from the Department of Defense (DOD)," Johnson also stated, "information obtained from this fact-finding mission will be used in an [official] report that will be shared with DOD and other appropriate agencies."

## Demand Better of officials

by William Reed

Is our vision so blinded by the blight around us that we have no thought, or hope, of doing better as a group?

Since we live in a capitalist society, the answer to a greater economic power in America should be for us to ascend to greater economic power. But, since we place a greater priority on politics than economics, the answer to what political largess we should be seeking from President Clinton, his administration, and Congress, are committed programs, policies and legislation that will help broad numbers of us rid ourselves of the vast impoverishment that engulfs so many of us and our communities.

While we've waited for politics to save us, African Americans continue to have double the rate of un-

employment of whites. Those African Americans who have a household income of \$7,000 or below have an income, and the average wealth of a white family is \$40,000, in comparison to a black family at \$4,000. Up through the 102nd Congress of politicians, the average African-American member of the U.S. House of Representatives had an average of 11 years in that office. In 90 percent of the cases, those black members of Congress had another 10 years of prior elective positions at the city, county or state level. So, in a continual pattern of opting for political mediocrity in this land of capitalism, we've kept the same politicians in leadership roles while our collective national economic fortunes have waned. When the average black member of Congress entered politics the per capita income for blacks was over 70 percent of that of whites. So, a statistical (continued on page 10)

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<b>Efferdent 2-Layered Tablets</b> 40 ct. box	<b>Efferdent 2-Layered Tablets</b> 60 ct. box	<b>Sensor Cartridges For Women</b> 5 ct. pkg.	<b>Grecian Formula 16</b> 4 fl. oz. cont.	<b>Grecian Plus</b> 5 oz. cont.	<b>Clairol Great Day</b> One Kit	<b>Bausch &amp; Lomb Sensitive Eyes</b> Eye drops, 16 Tablets	<b>Bausch &amp; Lomb Sensitive Eyes</b> Eye drops, 16 Tablets
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<b>One-A-Day Vitamins</b> Maximum Formula Btl. of 100 Tablets	<b>One-A-Day Vitamins</b> Maximum Formula 130 ct. box	<b>Dep Gel</b> 12 oz. cont.	<b>Dep Spray Gel</b> 7 oz. cont.	<b>Clairesse Hair Color</b> 4 fl. oz. shades 1 Kit	<b>Born Blonde Lightening Kit</b> 1 Application	<b>Born Blonde Toning</b> 1 Application	<b>Born Blonde Toning</b> 1 Application
<b>One-A-Day Vitamins</b> Maximum Formula Btl. of 100 Tablets	<b>One-A-Day Vitamins</b> Maximum Formula 130 ct. box	<b>Dep Gel</b> 12 oz. cont.	<b>Dep Spray Gel</b> 7 oz. cont.	<b>Clairesse Hair Color</b> 4 fl. oz. shades 1 Kit	<b>Born Blonde Lightening Kit</b> 1 Application	<b>Born Blonde Toning</b> 1 Application	<b>Born Blonde Toning</b> 1 Application
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# YOUTH/EDUCATION/SUCCESS

## Plainfield Students connect through Peer Leadership



Students from Plainfield High School joined other students from schools throughout New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania for the Princeton Center for Leadership Training Seventh Annual Urban-Suburban Peer Group Conference. The conference, held on January 8 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Newark, is designed to teach the fundamentals of leadership skills to students through a carefully developed and tested team mentoring model. Through the program, older students are trained to serve as team mentors to younger students — helping them to adjust to high school and to the pressures of adolescence while providing the older students with experiential training in leadership techniques and group dynamics.

## GMWA's youth division hosts meeting and concert

JERSEY CITY — If you have a genuine love for Gospel music as an art form, then the Gospel Music Workshop of American (GMWA) wants you!

The GMWA was founded by the late Rev. James Cleveland, and is celebrating its 25th year as a national, nondenominational, interracial organization. The organization is comprised of Gospel singers, songwriters, performing artists, ministers and more.

The New Jersey Chapter's Youth Division, consisting of young people aged 7 to 23, will meet on Thursday, January 28 at 7 p.m. New members are welcome. Also,

the Youth Division Choir will present a Gospel Concert on Sunday, January 31 at 5 p.m. Featured guests include the Smith Memorial Youth Choir, St. John's U.P. Inspirational Choir, Divine Inspiration, and the True Believers of Clearview Baptist Church, all of Newark, as well as Mary Sharp and the Voices of Hope from NY.

Both the meeting and the concert will take place at First Zion Hill Baptist Church, 1-15 Leslie Street, corner of Clinton Avenue in Newark. Call 201-434-6203 for more information.

## Hawkins & Hinton: A passion for fashion

WALDICK — Sonya Tinisha Hawkins of Plainfield and Sharyn Hinton of Piscataway are approaching their futures in the fashion world with the confidence of individuals who have actually been where they are going.

As students in the fashion marketing and management program at Berkeley Colleges, they afforded hands-on experience in a number of different areas. Sonya, a graduate of the Garrett Mountain campus of Berkeley College of Business in West Paterson, brought her own experience as an intern to add to her course of study. Sharyn attended Berkeley's New York City campus.

During the school's fall quarter, the two area students spent a great deal of time surrounded by holiday decorations and gifts at the campus stores, which fashion students operate on a quarterly basis, receiving grades for their sales.

Assigned to work on promotions at the Garrett Mountain campus, Sonya was able to draw on experience she had as the partner in a firm she founded in California.

"We had to come up with a name and a theme," Sonya explained about the campus store project. "Everyone liked 'House of Style' for the store's name. I came up with theatrical masks for the logo, and we had black, white, and red as the store's colors. To promote the opening, we had to make up fliers and posters. We put the mask theme on all of them and sent invitations to the staff. I found two large plastic theatrical masks in a party store and hung them outside of the store."



Sonya Tinisha Hawkins

"We then draped black fabric around [the sign] and let the fabric fall to the floor. It looked very stylish," she declared with satisfaction.

The students operating the store during the fall quarter are faced with the need to change displays to coincide with the seasons.

"For Halloween we added some pumpkins and Halloween decorations," Sonya reported. "We had a costume contest, too."

Christmas decorations replaced the Halloween decor as the fall advanced.

Sharyn, who was assigned to be a buyer at the New York City campus store, stocked up at wholesale prices with food, candy, cosmetics, school supplies and Berkeley items like sweatshirts and key chains.

"I had to stock up every week," she said. "I learned what sells well and what doesn't. Our most popular item was instant chicken noodle soup, which sold for 75 cents in a plastic cup."

Sharyn continued, "I do not personally like licorice, but the twisters were very popular. I had to consider what other people like."

Sonya was graduated from Plainfield High School in 1984 and has been busy since that time building her career in fashion.

"I knew at 12 years old that I wanted to be a fashion designer," she said. "I now know that if I can't make it as a designer, I can find another creative outlet in the fashion industry. It is such a broad field."

Upon graduation from high school, she traveled to California to study at Rancho Santiago College in Santa Ana, receiving an Associate in Applied Science degree in Fashion Design and Advertising.

During the first year of college she worked part-time in a department store, and, in 1985, started Trend X Bodyworks Inc. with a friend as partner. Based in New Jersey, the two designed and made leather and suede garments for exotic dances.

"We got a wholesale license and purchased lycra, mesh, leather, suede and other materials in the Los Angeles garment district," she recounted.

The two parlayed their four thousand dollar initial investment into the necessary equipment, including form and cost, raw materials, \$1,000, and enough material to create 100 items of their designs. Over a four-month period, their business caught on. They outfitted 15 dancers at their first club. They then put together a catalogue and promotional materials and approached other clubs.

When her friend met the man of her dreams and developed other interests,

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## DORCA presents 'Arts in the Schools' in observance of Black History Month

NEWARK — The City of Newark's Division of Recreation and Cultural Affairs (DORCA) announced that it will sponsor the Fifth Annual "Arts in The Schools" project in Newark public high schools during the month of February, in observance of Black History Month.

Celeste Bateman Morgan, DORCA cultural affairs supervisor, said that over the years the project has consisted of an exciting series of drama demonstrations, music programs, workshops and dramatic skits. She noted the schedule for the 1993 "Arts in The Schools" project as follows:

2/3/93: Arts High School, 9 a.m.

2/5/93: Weequahic High School, 1 p.m.

2/8/93: East Side High School, 9 a.m.

2/9/93: Barringer High School, 9:30 a.m.

2/10/93: MX Shabazz High School, 9 a.m.

2/11/93: Central High School, 9:30 a.m.

2/17/93: University High School, 1:15 p.m.

2/18/93: West Side High School, 9 a.m.

2/19/93: West Kinney High School, 9 a.m.

"Although the events are being presented in the context of Black History Month," Morgan said, "they

enjoy a broad spectrum of appeal. The high school students, teachers and administrators have been impressed with our selection of programs."

Mayor Sharpe James said, "To go forward as a people, as African Americans need to know and appreciate our history. In knowing our own history, we can help others to better understand and appreciate our cultural heritage."

The Mayor continued, "This project helps educate youngsters and adults about history, and thus helps to break down the walls that can separate Newark's various nationalities."

According to Morgan, this year's presentation, will feature a drum and dance ensemble called, "Message From Our Ancestors," a company dedicated to the preservation of African and African-American culture. Performing traditional dances from Mali, Senegal, Nigeria and Guinea, "Message From Our Ancestors" has performed extensively throughout the United States and Europe.

Morgan noted that organizers plan to add another component to the project, which will celebrate the contributions of the Latino and Hispanic communities.

## Sixth graders sing the blues

PLAINFIELD — Sixth grade students from Plainfield Elementary schools will perform their renditions of the blues in five concerts in January and February. The students have been participating in Return to the Source's Music Residence Program entitled "Exploring our Heritage through Music" for four weeks.

Return to the Source (RTS), founded in 1985 by Marcia Brown and Attorney Junius Williams of Irvington, is an ensemble of professional musicians who conduct workshops in schools on the evolution of African-American music. The presentations are adaptable for students from the fifth grade to college.

The ensemble, made up of both scholars and professional entertainers, emphasizes the creative and artistic expression of African-Americans. It chronicles and celebrates the history of African-American music from the Spirituals, Blues and Jazz to Gospel and popular music, including Rap. The workshops highlight the students' own ability to participate in and create the music examined.

Forty-five minute sessions are offered once a week for four weeks, culminating in a grand finale before parents and school administrators at the end of the four week period.

During the workshops, pictures and



Return To The Source

slides of important musicians, musical events and the cultural context of each musician's development are shown. Also, the relationships, both historical and musical, between various forms of music are illustrated and demonstrated through individual and/or group performances.

The students are involved with musical and physical activities. Each student will be presented with an edited audio and/or video tape of the classes as documentation of their entire experience. (Whether the

event is taped and edited depends on the sponsor's budget.)

Sixth graders at eleven elementary schools have participated in the RTS workshops. The schools will perform as follows: January 27 - Washington and Sullivan; January 28 - Cook and Woodland; February 11 - Cedarbrook and Evergreen; February 18 - Barlow, Emerson and Lincoln.

The concerts will be held at the first school listed for each date.

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Dedication of the Alberta Bey Head Start Center — Photo by Chet Gordon

## The Newark Preschool Council Inc.: Looking Back at '92

NEWARK—Nineteen ninety-two has been an exciting and fruitful year for the Newark Preschool Council Inc. The organization successfully embarked on several initiatives designed to enhance the quality life and education for Newark preschoolers and their families.

During October, NPSC opened its new building on Chancellor Avenue, The Alberta Bey Center. The facility houses three new "state of the art" classrooms.

Another site, The Newark Preschool Council Inc. Center (West Ward Modular), officially opened on December 15. The building, located at South 15th Street and 14th Avenue, also houses three classrooms, bringing the total of additional full-day Head Start classes to four.

The projects, designed by Mikesell & Associates of Newark, were constructed at a cost of approximately \$600,000. Funding was obtained through federal (DHHS/ACF) grants. Both openings were marked by ribbon cutting ceremonies.

Throughout 1992, NPSC greatly

expanded and upgraded its programs. The number of operating full-day classes grew from 11 to 21. The year also saw the total number of Head Start classes increase from 118 to 124. The council believes that the additional full-day schedules will challenge its staff to provide children with developmentally appropriate activities over a longer time frame. Currently NPSC services 2119 Newark preschoolers ages three to four.

Modern learning technologies were adopted during the year. The use of computers in the classrooms continued to expand; the new educational hardware and software will place Newark preschoolers on the cutting edge of the modern "high-tech" world.

Always, NPSC provided valuable services for the families of its children. Educational curriculum, nutrition, health, parent involvement, special needs and social services were offered. Good Starts, Homeless Children and Families, and Head Start Like programs were also offered.

New learning tools designed to

help parents attain an enriched quality of life for themselves and their children were introduced. The Adult Education Computer Laboratory Project, GED and Adult Learning programs helped address the literacy, employability and self-sufficiency needs of parents and other family members.

Newark Preschool Council Inc. continues to assume a leadership role in the Head Start community. With a focus on advancing the preschool age child's entire family system, the organization strives to provide a comprehensive educational experience for preschooler and parent alike. NPSC looks forward to another year of expansion and improvement.

## Innovative program to provide affordable housing for 52 families

NEWARK—With the support of Mayor Sharpe James, Councilman Ronald Rice and the entire city council, basic lots in the Central and West Wards—16th and South Eighth streets and South 11th and West Market streets—will soon sprout 26 affordable, two-family homes.

This program will be unique in Newark. A Jersey City-based firm, JP Affordable Housing, plans to build two-family houses to sell to 26 moderate income families who would be required to rent to income families. Strict state-monitored income guidelines will be followed.

The wood-framed modular houses will have pitched

roofs, driveways, backyards, and individual design features. The three-bedroom, side-by-side two-family houses will sell for \$72,500 and purchasers will be required to put \$3,645 down with approximately \$2,050 in closing costs.

The moderate-income homeowners/landlords will be required to pass a state-run seminar in rental property management. City officials said the purchase-rent combination is one they plan to use for several upcoming projects.

A city council resolution approved the project on Thursday, December 3, 1992. It was given until 1993 (continued on page 10)



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# CITY LIFE

## WNET celebrates African-American Heritage throughout February

Thirteen/WNET celebrates African American Heritage Month this February with a month-long roster of more than 25 special programs reflecting the broad range of cultural, historical and political dimensions of African-Americans to our shared national identity. Following are listings for February's African-American Heritage Month programming on Thirteen/WNET.

NOTE: Programs are premieres unless otherwise indicated. An asterisk (\*) indicates that a screening cassette is available from Thirteen; for cassettes contact Crystal Williamson at 212-560-3021.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1

TRAVELS: "Back to Africa" at 8 p.m.

Jamaican writer Ferdinand Domíne de Brinai, who fell increasingly isolated, to travel to Nigeria in search of his cultural identity. Had history alienated him from his roots? (R; Saturday, February 6 at 7 p.m.)

FRONTLINE: "Clarence Thomas and Anita Hill: Public Hearing, Private Pain" at 10 p.m.

How Anini Hill's accusations of sexual harassment during Clarence Thomas's judicial nomination hearings splintered the African-American community. (Encore) (R; Monday, February 1 at 1 a.m.)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

GREAT PERFORMANCES: "Spike Lee & Co: Do It A Cappella" at 10 p.m.

Film great Spike Lee and actress-director Debbie Allen host this celebration of a cappella singing. (Encore) (R; Thursday, February 4 at 1 a.m.)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

GREAT PERFORMANCES: "Kathleen Battle and Wynton Marsalis: Baroque Duet" at 9 p.m.

The world-renowned opera singer and trumpet virtuoso come together for a brilliant performance of Scarlatti, Bach and more. (Encore)

KINDRED SPIRITS: "Contemporary African-American Artists" at 10:30 p.m.

The vibrant African-American art scene of the late 20th century and the artists who create it. (Encore)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6

"Richie Havens in Concert" at 11:35 p.m.

Filmed live in Germany in 1988, the performance features Richie Havens, the renowned Woodstock performer with his trademark open-tuning guitar strum and distinctive vocal style.

"Jon Hendricks: The Freddie Sessions" at 12:35 a.m.

A tribute to "vocables," a vocal style that sets lyrics to instrumental solos, features master of the form Jon Hendricks with guests Bobby McFerrin, Al Jarreau and George Benson. (Encore)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7

AMERICAN PLAYHOUSE: "Daughters of the Dust" at 11 p.m.

An extended family of Gullah women bid farewell to their ancestral home on the Sea Islands and emigrate to the Northern United States. (Encore)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8

"Black Stars in Orbit" at 10 p.m.

Seven black astronauts and several black scientists whose perseverance and courage contributed to our national enterprise in the space program, by Thirteen's acclaimed "Liberators" producer Bill Miles. (Encore) (R; Monday, February 8 at 1 a.m.)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

"The Issue is Race" at 9 p.m. Phil Donahue hosts this special designed to examine how issues of race and poverty affect the country, especially regarding the November 1992 elections. (Encore)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

"The Dream: An Exhibit, 'Defining and Celebrating the African-American Experience Through Music'" will be on display in the lobby of the Sarah Byrd Askew Library at William Paterson College. For more info call 201-595-5201.

MORRISTOWN—"In celebration of the African-American Family," an exhibit of oils, mixed media, watercolors and sculptures showcasing the works of international and local artists. The mixed African-American artwork, is on display in the Atrium Gallery of the Morris County Administration and Records Building, Court Street. Admission is free. For more info call 201-268-5643.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

"The Newark Museum: An Exhibit of Great African Americans to be displayed at Mount Olive Baptist Church, 260 Central Avenue, will begin at 3 p.m. Notable Newarkers will be on hand to salute The First Lady of Song. Purchasers of tickets at special price levels may attend a cocktail reception before the show, followed by a reception with the Ellington Orchestra, after the show. For tickets call 212-491-2040.

OCEAN COUNTY—"Bayard The Dream" a satellite broadcast from 1-3 p.m. at Ocean County Community College, 1000 North Ave., 908-255-0493.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

EDISON—Middlesex County College will open its African History Month celebration with a ceremony and a film in Cafeteria C of the College Center at 11 a.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

"The Issue is Race" at 9 p.m. Phil Donahue hosts this special designed to examine how issues of race and poverty affect the country, especially regarding the November 1992 elections. (Encore)

## In celebration of Black History...

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27

ORANGE—The annual Mayor Robert L. Brown Human Rights Program will be held at the Newark Leyland Avenue Church at 7 p.m. The Rev. Charles Banks Quartet, The Orange School Gospel Choir and the St. Matthews AME Choir will be featured.

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WAYNE—An exhibit, "Defining and Celebrating the African-American Experience Through Music" will be on display in the lobby of the Sarah Byrd Askew Library at William Paterson College. For more info call 201-595-5201.

BLOOMFIELD—The Freedream theatre company will perform from 7-9 p.m. in the Westminster Theatre. For info call 201-268-5000.

GLASSBORO—Augusta Clark will speak at Rowan College. For info call 609-853-5201.

SUSSEX COUNTY—Dr. Lenworth Cooper will speak at 3-5 p.m. at Sussex County Community College. For info call 201-300-2232.

BLOOMFIELD—The Freedream theatre company will perform from 7-9 p.m. in the Westminster Theatre. For info call 201-268-5000.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

NEWARK—An exhibit, "Defining and Celebrating the African-American Experience Through Music" will present a concert of Black Theatre music at 30 p.m. at Newark Public Library, 5 Washington Street. Admission is free. For more info call 201-733-7793 or 201-733-5643.

ELIZABETH—A tie-dyed cloth craft program, entitled "Portrait to Africa," will be held at Elizabeth Public Library at 10 a.m. The first 35 school-age children will be admitted. Doors will open at 4:10 p.m.

EDISON—A panel discussion, "African Studies: Where Were African People Prior to Enslavement and Colonization?" will be held at 7 p.m. in room 319-21 of the Middlesex County College Center at 11 a.m.

NORTHWEST—The Schomburg Center will present a special Black History Month series to Ella Fitzgerald at 3 p.m. on Saturday, February 27. Harry Belafonte, Jon Hendricks, Phyllis Hyman, Max Roach, Diane Schuur, Achille et Sonjou, Nancy Wilson and other special performers will be on stage to salute The First Lady of Song. Purchasers of tickets at special price levels may attend a cocktail reception before the show, followed by a reception with the Ellington Orchestra, after the show. For tickets call 212-491-2040.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3

WAYNE—Brothers for Awareness at William Paterson College's African American Heritage month celebration, entitled "Defining and Celebrating the African-American Experience: A Salute to the African-American Community," at 12:15 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. Admission is free. For more info call 201-595-2608.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

EDISON—Dr. Molefi K. Asante, Professor of Africana Scholar and author of 31 books, will speak at 7 p.m. in the Learning Center of Middlesex County College.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

WAYNE—The Caribbean Students Association at William Paterson College with a Caribbean luncheon from noon to 2 p.m. at Billy P. Pugh Library, 5 Washington Street. The bus will depart at 5:30 p.m. in Lot 5. Admission price will be announced. For more info call 201-595-2608.

WAYNE—The Black Students Association at William Paterson College will host a Scholarship Program from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. Admission is \$1. For more info call 201-595-2608.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

EDISON—Middlesex County College will host a film, "400 Years Without a Com," and a discussion at 6 p.m. in the Learning Center.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

EDISON—The Newark Museum will host the East Lynne Theatre Company from 7-9 p.m. at Newark Public Library, 5 Washington Street. For more info call 201-733-7793 or 201-733-5643.

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NEWARK—Mardi Gras in the Student Center of Trenton State College from 5-10 p.m. For info call 609-777-2469.

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## Business Calendar

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27

LIVINGSTON—The founders of Merlin Enterprises, Delta Memchella, will present a workshop on "Effective Networking" at the meeting of the Essex/Morris Chapter of the New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners (NJAWBO) at 6 p.m. at the Livingston Holiday Inn, Route 10. To make reservations call Lois Pressman at 201-282-2500.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29

UNION—"How to Develop and Use an Effective Business Plan" will be the topic of the workshop presented by the Kent College Small Business Development Center (SBDC) to be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the College's East Campus. For more info call Dallas Everett at 908-527-2946.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30

NEW BRUNSWICK—The New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education (ICLE) will host a seminar to prepare lawyers for trying liquor liability cases from 9 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. at the New Jersey Institute of Technology, 100 University Ave., in the Newark law firm Blume, Vazquez, Goldfarb, Berkowitz & Donnelly, will address the group. For more info call ICLE at 908-249-5100.

## McDonald's Corp. opens office doors in Bedminster

**BEDMINSTER**—The town of Bedminster welcomed a new neighbor recently, when the Bloomfield Regional Headquarters of McDonald's® Corporation officially opened its doors in the Crossroads Business Center.

The grand opening was marked by a ribbon cutting ceremony followed by a cocktail reception and open house attended by the Bedminster Mayor, James Sullivan, State Senator Jack Ewing, and Somerset County Freeholder Ross McComell and Fred Howlett.

"McDonald's is pleased to be a new member of the Bedminster community," said Annis Alston, Regional Vice President of McDonald's Corporation, Bloomfield Region. "We are looking forward to playing an active role in contributing to the overall success of the region."

The relocation of McDonald's

Bloomfield Regional Headquarters, from Bloomfield to Bedminster, has already had an impact on the area in that 50 new jobs have been created in Somerset County. Local businesses have also benefited from the move.

The Bloomfield Regional Headquarters of McDonald's Corporation encompasses 203 restaurants in fourteen counties in Northern and Central New Jersey, Northeast Pennsylvania, and Upstate New York.

As part of the company's recent establishment of a Bloomfield chapter of Ronald McDonald Children's Charities® (RMCC), the organization of its relocation, McDonald's also announced that it is making a donation to the Bloomfield Chapter of RMCC. This contribution will be earmarked for programs that directly benefit children in



Local politicians were on hand recently to assist McDonald's Corporation, Bloomfield Region, cut the ribbon to the offices of their new regional headquarters in the Crossroads Business Center. Pictured, at the official grand opening, are (l-r): Mayor James Sullivan; Annis Alston, Regional Vice President of McDonald's Corporation, Bloomfield Region; Ronald McDonald; and State Senator Jack Ewing.

Somerset County,

McDonald's is the world's largest quick-service restaurant

organization, with more than 12,500

restaurants in 62 countries. About eight percent of McDonald's res-

taurant businesses are locally owned and operated by independent entrepreneurs.

## Broad Nat'l promotes Darlene Miller

**NEWARK**—Darlene Miller has been promoted to Vice President and Regional Manager at Broad National Bank.

Ms. Miller joined the Bank in 1981 as a Teller. She was made an Assistant Branch Manager in the Main Office in 1983 and was promoted to Branch Manager in the East Orange office in 1986. As Regional Manager she has the overall responsibility of three of the Bank's branches.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee of the East Orange YMCA, Ms. Miller is also the Treasurer of the East Orange Economic Development Corp.; Treasurer of the East Orange Kiwanis Club; and a member of The Advisory Board of Jobs 100. She is the recipient of



Darlene Miller

several awards including the East Orange Merchants award and the East Orange YMCA Annual Support Campaign Award.

Ms. Miller lives in Maplewood with her children, Stephanie and Michael.

## Tax anxiety? Help is here!

Free brochure on tax preparation: In today's uncertain economy, it is more important than ever to trim your expenses. Lowering your tax liability is a good way to start.

The New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants (NJS CPA) offers a free brochure entitled "Lighten Your Tax Burden: A CPA's Tax Preparation Guide for Individuals," with tips on how to organize your records and uncover deductions.

For your free copy, send a self-addressed envelope to: Tax Preparation, NJS CPA, 425 Eagle Rock Avenue, Roseland, New Jersey 07068-1723.

Free income tax preparation for the needy:

Free tax return preparation is offered to the elderly and low-income individuals through the Tax Aid Program, sponsored by Accountants for the Public Interest—New Jersey (API-NJ), the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants (NJS CPA) and the IRS Voluntary Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program.

Income tax returns are prepared by account-

ing students from Rutgers-Newark and Montclair State College and CPA volunteers at sites throughout Northern New Jersey and at times listed below. Anyone seeking assistance should take with them all pertinent tax documents, such as W-2 forms, interest statements from banks, copies of 1991 tax returns, and the federal and state tax packages received in the mail. It is also requested that you be available by calling in ad-

vanced.

Running from the second week in February (beginning on the 8th) through April 15, the program helps individuals who otherwise could not afford this service. Services are available at the following locations:

**Essex County**—Belleme Public Library, 221 Washington Avenue, Belleville,

201-450-3434, Thursdays, 6-9 p.m.; Bloomfield Public Library, 1 Broad Street, Bloomfield, 201-429-9292, Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon; Montclair Public Library, 50 South Fullerton Avenue, Montclair, 201-744-0500, Mondays, 6-8 p.m.; Newark Public Library, 5 Washington Street, Newark, 201-733-7800, Wednesdays 5-7 p.m., and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to noon.

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## Non-profit lenders sought to participate in SBA loan program

**NEWARK**—Stanley H. Sola, district director of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) announced that the Newark District Office is seeking community-based non-profit lenders to participate in the Agency's newly created Microloan Program.

Under the Microloan Pro-

gram, the SBA will make 10 year direct loans of up to \$750,000 to qualified individual lenders who, in turn, will use the funds to make short-term fixed interest rate microloans ranging from a few hundred dollars to a maximum of \$25,000 to assist start-up or esab-

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## LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

#### RE-ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received, for the second time, by the Contracting Agent of the Township of Woodbridge, County of Union, State of New Jersey, at the Board Room of the County Office Building, 104, Rancocas Road, Mount Holly, New Jersey, 08060-9983, on FEBRUARY 5, 1992, at 11:00 a.m. local time, at which time all sealed bids will be publicly opened and read aloud for CONTRACT NO. CPU-93-0009 (Formerly Contract No. CPU-93-0008) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY.

The work includes the furnishing of all labor, materials and equipment necessary or required for the construction of the Household Hazardous Waste Facility appurtenances consisting of, but not limited to the following:

ITEM	APPROXIMATE ESTIMATED QUANTITY
1. Site Clearing	
2. Excavation, Grading & Removal of Soil	
3. Off-Site Storage Tank on Concrete	
4. Foundation with Utility Services	1 Unit
5. Quarry Processed Stone	2,700 s.y.
6. Bluestone Pavers	1,400 s.y.
7. Reinforced Concrete Slabs on Grade	560 s.y.
8. Metal Roof with Concrete-Pipe Columns	3,780 s.y.
9. Site Electric and Plumbing	

#### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Instructions, Specifications, Plans and bid forms for said project have been filed in the County Purchasing Office, County Office Building, Room 104, Rancocas Road, Mount Holly, New Jersey, 08060 and may be obtained by prospective bidders during regular business hours upon payment of \$0.00 per set which is non-refundable. Telephone: (609) 285-5012.

Bids must be made on standard application forms in the manner as designated herein and required by the Specifications; must be enclosed in sealed envelopes bearing the name and address of the bidder and solicitation identification on outside; addressed to the Division of Purchase, County Office Building, Room 104, Rancocas Road, Mount Holly, New Jersey, 08060, and must be received by the Contracting Agent, cashiers check, or bid bond drawn on the Treasurer of Burlington County, for not less than ten percent (10%) of the total amount bid, but not in excess of \$20,000.00, and must be delivered to the Division of Purchase on or before the hour specified.

All bid guarantees shall be accompanied by an executed consent of surety from an approved surety company, licensed to conduct business in the State of New Jersey, agreeing to furnish the required performance and payment bond upon the award of the contract.

Late bids will not be accepted or considered. The County assumes no responsibility for bids mailed or misdelivered in delivery.

All bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c. 127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27) Affirmative Action and P.L. 1977, c. 533 (N.J.A.C. 52:2-34.2) Statement of Ownership.

The County of Burlington's Resource Recovery Complex is located on Columbus Road, Route 678, in Florence and Mansfield Townships, Burlington County, New Jersey.

The award will be made to the lowest responsible bidder as required by law. The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive any immaterial defects or irregularities in any bid or in the bidding should it be in the best interest of the County to do so.

A Pre-Bid Conference was held for all prospective bidders on January 22nd, 1992 at 2:00 p.m. Bidders were given interpretations of the meaning of the Specifications, Contract Documents and Drawings.

The list of prospective bidders is available by telephoning the Division of Purchase at telephone number (609) 285-5012 or by FAX telephone number (609) 285-5022.

This notice is advisory only, and not intended to be substituted for a general review and response to the respective contract specifications by the prospective bidder.

FREDRICK F. GALDO  
CLERK/RECORDATOR  
COURT OF BURLINGTON

1/27/92

## LEGAL NOTICE

### HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE TOWN OF MORRISTOWN

The Housing Authority of the Town of Morristown is seeking professional services of an independent Public Accountant to audit the financial statements of the Township's Public housing program, Moderate Income program, Section 8 program, and Drug Elimination program.

The Authority consists of 470 units of conventional housing, 151 Section 8 certificates, and 25 Section 8 Vouchers. The Authority has moderate funding in excess of \$7 million per year. The time period will be from October 1, 1991 to September 30, 1992. All responses must be familiar with Public housing and Department of Housing and Urban Development accounting.

Please submit proposals outlining a lump sum fee to Lawrence R. Jackson, Executive Director, Morristown Housing Authority, 31 East Street, Morristown, New Jersey 07960, no later than February 5, 1992.

LAWRENCE R. JACKSON  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

1/13/92

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## SBA loan program

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listed businesses.

According to Salt, the SBA is looking for private non-profit lenders with at least a one year successful track record in making small loans.

"Past financial performance, accountability, knowledge of the local economy, lending expertise and technical qualifications play an important part in selecting a private non-profit lender to administer the Microloan Program," said Salt.

Organizations who wish to participate in the SBA Microloan Program may obtain a set of guidelines and a request for proposal package by contacting Vincent Scuro of the SBA Newark Office at 201-645-3584, or John Cox of the SBA Washington Office at 202-205-6490. The deadline for filing a proposal is February 15, 1993.

## Affordable housing

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to complete the project, JP plans to break ground in early June and to move in the fall sometime by August.

How quickly the project begins, however, depends in part on council action on the Blight Study, and redevelopment plans and action on a Federal "Home" subsidy of \$1.6 million. The subsidies are needed for the down-payment of the houses, which cost over \$12,000 each to build.

JP is so confident they will receive the funds that they will break ground on June 2 no matter what. State guidelines limit for-profit developers like JP to a profit of no more than 10 percent of construction costs.

According to the Fair Housing Act, these houses must stay in the hands of low- and moderate-income owners for at least eight years.

## Passion for fashion

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terrestrials. Her entrepreneurship did not work out. Sonya decided to return to New Jersey to enroll at Berkley. She began studies at the Middlesex campus in Woodbridge and transferred to Garrett Mountain to complete course requirements for her A.A. degree.

"I had all the artistic design courses I could get. But I was not marketing or design of fashion design," she explained. "I wanted to learn the business skills that are needed. (It was) a completely different program from what I had before."

Viewing the school store experience she said, "With the school store there are so many things to do and do on a schedule. My job is to attract people to the store, it visually appealing so that they want to come in."

"I have learned that business is business. You have to set emotions aside and deal with the business of running a retail store. It takes a team effort. You have to pitch in when you can. If you have a bad week in sales, you have to work twice as hard the next week."

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. King Hawley, Sonya received an Associate in Applied Science degree from Berkley in December of 1992. She will enter the American College for the Applied Arts in Atlanta, Ga. in May, where she will study for a B.A. degree in Design.

Looking further ahead, she declares, "I would like to design clothing for women. I would like my own boutique - economic derived from use of fabric and design. I would like to use mesh and vinyls, have see-through and provocative designs. I want to keep things exclusive. Customers like that. If you spend a lot of money, you want to be different."

Sharyn, a 1987 graduate of Piscataway High School, earned a certificate in commercial art from Union County Vocational-Techanical School in 1988.

"I combined my commercial art skills with my Berkley program," Sharyn declared, referring to her position as a visual merchandiser for five stores of H&M in New York City.

Sharyn is also engaged in planning her June 10th wedding to Donald Walker, Jr., who started Berkley with her and is a September 1992 graduate of the business administration program. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hinton, Sharyn also received her A.A. degree in December of 1992.

## Activists rally to save Jersey City YMCA

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police," Jones said that both officials of the City and the Y have failed to work in good faith with the community.

A white woman who lives in the community labeled efforts to close the Y "undulatored racism." Several speakers also lashed out at the city for its financial support of Port Liberty on the City's "gold coast."

and The Loew's Theatre in the Journal Square area. Those organizations have received more than \$2 million in city funds through bonds and tax abatements.

"(The City) found ways to keep Port Liberty operating... and has a responsibility to make it happen (at the Y)," noted Ward F Councilman Dan Wiley.

Though the Mayor, City Council, and YMCA Board members all received special invitations, Mr. Wiley was the only city official in attendance on January 18. "I'll be there in Trenton with you," Mr. Wiley concluded.

The Committee's next move is to meet with Governor Jim Florio and his Economic Czar to encourage

the state to fund the facility, which provides jobs and/or housing for 250 people and serves literally hundreds of children. The Committee continues to reach out to various elements in the community

and is seeking state-wide support — from parents, youth workers, human rights organizations, athletes, artists, clergy, etc. — for its efforts. Interested individuals should call 201-433-2332.

## Demand Better of officials

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of black elected officials has increased, the comparative number of blacks in the hands of blacks has decreased. Those of us who demand a better bottom line at the community level have watched the concept of economic equity for black constituents take remote back seat to individual seniority for our permanently entrenched Members of Congress.

Some say that demanding better from our elected officials would cause them to recognize that they will be removed if they don't do more to secure a full-employment economy with decent wages and fair affirmative action policies. If we are going to keep electing the same congresspeople from our districts, what are we going to make them accountable for the restoration of a public school system to provide our youth with basic skills, basic reading, writing, reading, and values that enable our youth to understand and participate in the world community? Would it be you and your kin be doing better if the people we put on Capitol Hill led the fight for a national system of cost effective health care insurance? With one of every four young adult black males trapped in the criminal justice system, don't we need increased political emphasis on rehabilitating these people toward productive lives than standing on the corner watching the cars go by? The African-American unemployment rate would

decrease, and our skills level would increase, if those elected black officials preening around Washington claiming to be a "D.O.B. (Friend of Bill's)" would each use their "influence" with the president to gain construction of five million units of housing in urban areas, which through black participation in building, would generate income and be available to low-income and working-class people to live in.

During the Clinton Administration and the 103rd Congress, we need to demand better of those we've elected to represent us. But to gain true parity in the American system we need demand better of ourselves, as well. We need to increasingly businesses to serve our communities. Currently, for every 1000 members of our community, there are 64 businesses per 1000. In the white community, there are 64 businesses per 1000. We need for each of us to make a commitment to spend at least 15 percent of our income with blacks in the retail, financial or professional areas. We need to financially support black churches, media, lobbying and civil rights organizations. We need to invest our monies and patronage in business ventures: banks and insurance companies. We need to stop talking about what "they" owe us and should do for us. We need to demand better, internally and externally, and stop being victims every day of our lives.

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